

In The Specification

Please replace the paragraph on page 2, beginning at line 15, with the following:

A composite hinged door according to the present invention, which was designed specifically to serve as an upwardly acting or roll-up rear door for a truck body, comprises a series of composite panels in which adjacent panels are hinged to permit the panels to articulate with respect to one another during the opening of the door. Each panel is of composite construction, with a central layer of a lightweight material, such as a plastic material, that is sandwiched between inner and outer layers of a sheet metal, the central layer imparting rigidity and heat and/or noise insulating properties to each door panel and the inner and outer layers imparting strength and impact resistance to each panel. A hard, durable insert is embedded in a recess in a an edge of the central layer of a panel with a portion of such insert extending beyond the edge of the panel. The extending portion of the insert is received in a recess or groove in an edge of an adjacent panel when the panels are aligned in a straight line in a closed door, to maintain proper alignment between the adjacent panels. The portion of the insert that extends into the recess of the adjacent panel is much more resistant to abrasion or wear than would be protruding tongue of a typical central layer of a composite, hinged panel door, which thereby extends the duration during which adjacent panels can be accurately aligned over many closings of the hinged panel door.

Please replace the paragraph on page 5, beginning at line 6, with the

following:

The insert 24 also has a spaced, axially extending series of longitudinally extending and outwardly projecting ribs ~~24e~~ 24d on each of the opposed longitudinally extending surface of the shank portion 24a to help to frictionally retain the insert in the recess 12a. The insert 24 also has a flat free end surface 24d 24e.